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Date 10/24/91

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 (ATTN: SSA [REDACTED] CID, OC SECTION)

FROM : ADIC, NEW YORK (183B-NY-191359) (P)

SUBJECT : [REDACTED]
 VINCENT GIGANTE, aka "CHIN";
 RICO (B)
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PURPOSE: Authority is requested to conduct [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] in connection with a 183B
 (RICO) matter.

LOCATION: [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]

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DETAILS: Currently there is an ongoing investigation of the above referenced subjects in connection with their position in the GENOVESE LCN CRIME FAMILY. VINCENT "CHIN" GIGANTE is the Boss of the GENOVESE FAMILY. As detailed in the attached Affidavit there is probable cause to believe that GIGANTE is maintaining control of daily family activities through meetings with known GENOVESE associates. Source information states that these meetings are being conducted in the apartment located in 505 Laguardia Place. Physical surveillances at 505 Laguardia have shown numerous known GENOVESE associates entering 505 Laguardia and then proceeding to the TRIANGLE SOCIAL CLUB, 208 Sullivan St, New York, N.Y.. The TRIANGLE SOCIAL CLUB is a known GENOVESE social club and is currently being frequented by many current GENOVESE associates. This [REDACTED] will identify who GIGANTE is meeting with and verify that he is continuing to control

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the daily criminal activities of the GENOVESE LCN CRIME
FAMILY. The information obtained from this investigative
technique will be used for probable cause in obtaining a Title
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1 TO : SAC, ATLANTA (245F-266)
 2 FROM : ADIC, NEW YORK (183B-191359) (P) (C-5)
 3 SUBJECT :
 4 VINCENT GIGANTE, aka;
 5 RICO(B);
 6 OO:NY

7 NYO currently conducting an investigation regarding
 8 the GENOVESE LCN. Since 3/91, court authorized

9 This social club has been the focal point of GENOVESE LCN
 10 hierarchy for a number of years.

11 Over the weekend of 8/2-8/3/91, New York City
 12 Police Department (NYCPD) technical personnel, during the
 13 course of installing discovered a
 14 Smith and Wesson, Model 645, 45 caliber pistol, well secreted
 15 in a wall behind the bar. The weapon was fully loaded,
 16 wrapped in cloth, and accompanied by at least a second fully
 17 loaded clip.

18 A check on the weapon's history determined that it
 19 was originally produced by Smith and Wesson, and then sent to
 20 G.T. DISTRIBUTORS, Rossville, Georgia, on 11/12/86. The

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weapon was then purchased, 1/8/87, by a [REDACTED]
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OCIS check determined that a [REDACTED]
identical to the aforementioned individual, was entered into
this system by Atlanta, File Number 245F-266-2.

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AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Will forward to NY all pertinent data regarding
[REDACTED] including copy of Serial 245F-266-2.

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PASS: HQ FOR SSA [REDACTED] CID OC SECTION.

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] VINCENT GIGANTE;

AKA CHIN; RICO (B); OO:NY.

PURPOSE: AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO CONDUCT A [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN CONNECTION

WITH A 183B (RICO) MATTER.

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1 - Supervisor C-5

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LOCATION:

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DETAILS: (2) CURRENTLY THERE IS AN ONGOING INVESTIGATION OF THE ABOVE REFERENCED SUBJECTS IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR POSITION IN THE GENOVESE LCN CRIME FAMILY. VINCENT "CHIN" GIGANTE IS THE BOSS OF THE GENOVESE FAMILY. THERE IS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT GIGANTE IS MAINTAINING CONTROL OF DAILY FAMILY ACTIVITIES THROUGH MEETINGS WITH KNOWN GENOVESE ASSOCIATES. SOURCE INFORMATION STATES THAT THESE MEETINGS ARE BEING CONDUCTED IN THE APARTMENT LOCATED IN 505 LAGUARDIA PLACE. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCES AT 505 LAGUARDIA PLACE HAVE SHOWN NUMEROUS KNOWN GENOVESE ASSOCIATES ENTERING 505 LAGUARDIA AND THEN PROCEEDING TO THE TRIANGLE SOCIAL CLUB, 208 SULLIVAN ST., NEW YORK, NY. THE TRIANGLE SOCIAL CLUB IS A KNOWN GENOVESE SOCIAL CLUB AND IS CURRENTLY BEING FREQUENTED BY MANY CURRENT GENOVESE ASSOCIATES. [REDACTED] WILL IDENTIFY WHO GIGANTE IS MEETING WITH AND VERIFY THAT HE IS CONTINUING TO CONTROL THE DAILY CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES OF THE GENOVESE LCN CRIME FAMILY. THE INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THIS INVESTIGATIVE TECHNIQUE WILL BE USED FOR PROBABLE CAUSE IN

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(2) DEPT. OF JUSTICE APPROVAL IS NOT REQUIRED AS THE HALLWAY IS AN INTERIOR COMMON SPACE ACCESSIBLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

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OBTAINING A TITLE III

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VINCENT GIGANTE,
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On October 22, 1991, [REDACTED] provided the following information to Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED]

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Source advised that the following individuals continue to meet with VINCENT GIGANTE to advise him on the status of the illegal activities of the GENOVESE La Cosa Nostra family:

- 1) [REDACTED]
- 2) DOMINIC CIRILLO
- 3) [REDACTED]
- 4) [REDACTED]
- 5) FRANK CONDO
- 6) [REDACTED]
- 7) [REDACTED]
- 8) [REDACTED]

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Source advised that the above individuals meet with GIGANTE at his mother's residence located at 505 Laguardia Place in New York City and also at the east side apartment of [REDACTED]
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Date 12/26/91

TO : ADIC, NEW YORK (C-5)
 FROM : SAC, Newark (183B-191359) (P) (C-4)
 SUBJECT : [REDACTED]

VINCENT GIGANTE, AKA
 "THE CHIN";
 RICO (B);
 OO: NEW YORK

Re: Newark airtel to New York, dated 8/6/91.

Enclosed for New York is one copy of investigative insert, dated 10/22/91.

Enclosed insert reflects recent source information concerning captioned subjects. Additional information will be forwarded to New York as received.

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PASS: HQ FOR SSA [REDACTED] DIO, DC SECTION.

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] VINCENT GIGANTE, AKA
"CHIN"; RICO (B); OO:NY.

THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THREE
(3) RENTAL CARS CURRENTLY BEING UTILIZED IN THE ABOVE
CAPTIONED CASE. AUTHORITY FOR THE RENTAL OF BUCAR NUMBERS:
99-6247, 99-6230 & 99-6349 WILL EXPIRE ON JANUARY 10, 1992.
CURRENTLY THESE VEHICLES ARE BEING UTILIZED IN THE ONGOING
INVESTIGATION OF TWO (2) KNOWN GENOVESE LCN SOCIAL CLUBS: THE
GIGLIO BOYS CLUB, 3205 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, BRONX, NEW YORK AND

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THE TRIANGLE SOCIAL CLUB, 208 SULLIVAN STREET, NEW YORK, NY IN ADDITION TO THE ONGOING PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCES AT BOTH LOCATIONS, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE INFORMATION STATES THAT VINCENT "CHIN" GIGANTE MAINTAINS CONTROL OVER THE DAILY CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES OF THE GENOVESE FAMILY BY HAVING MEETINGS AT AN APARTMENT LOCATED AT 505 LAGUARDIA PLACE, NEW YORK, N.Y. NYO HAS JUST CONCLUDED A SIX (6) MONTH TITLE III MONITORING ALONG WITH ONGOING PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCES. AS A RESULT OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS, THE NYO HAS RECENTLY RECEIVED BUREAU APPROVAL [REDACTED] TO SURVEIL THE HALLWAY LEADING UP TO APARTMENT 7E WHERE THESE MEETING ARE TAKING PLACE. IT IS BELIEVED THIS [REDACTED] WILL IDENTIFY WHO GIGANTE IS MEETING WITH, AND VERIFY THAT HE IS CONTINUING TO CONTROL THE DAILY CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES OF THE GENOVESE FAMILY.

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THE INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THIS INVESTIGATIVE TECHNIQUE WILL BE USED FOR PROBABLE CAUSE IN OBTAINING A TITLE III [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE CURRENT OFF-SITE LOCATIONS WILL BE MAINTAINED TO MONITOR THESE [REDACTED] SURVEILLANCES. THE THREE (3) RENTAL CARS REQUESTED WILL CONTINUE TO BE UTILIZED FOR PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCES, TO IDENTIFY UNKNOWN SHUTTLE BETWEEN THE

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TRIANGLE SOCIAL CLUB AND GIGANTE'S APARTMENT, AS WELL AS FOLLOW-UP ON LEADS GENERATED THROUGH THIS INVESTIGATION AND INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS. IT IS NOT FEASIBLE TO USE CURRENT BUREAU VEHICLES AS BOTH THE OFF-SITES ARE NEAR THE SUBJECT'S SOCIAL CLUBS WHICH ARE BOTH EXTREMELY SURVEILLANCE CONSCIOUS. THE RENTAL VEHICLES WILL REMAIN OF A NON-DESCRIPT NATURE SO AS NOT TO CAUSE ANY UNDUE NOTICE. THE RENTAL EXPENSE OF THESE VEHICLES WOULD REMAIN AT THE CURRENT RATE OF \$450.00 PER VEHICLE PER MONTH.

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TO : SAC, PHILADELPHIA
 FROM : ADIC, NEW YORK (183B-191359) (P) (C-5)
 SUBJECT :
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For the information of Philadelphia, NYO currently conducting an investigation regarding GENOVESE LCN hierarchy, particularly VINCENT GIGANTE, boss. GIGANTE spends the majority of his time within the confines of his mother's apartment, 505 LaGuardia Place, Apt. 7E. The street boss is currently one DOMINIC CIRILLO. Since the spring of 1991, CIRILLO has been conducting late night meetings at various restaurants in the West Village area of Manhattan. In attendance, at a majority of these meetings, is one NYO currently doing a work up on and requests that Philadelphia send to NY any and all data regarding this individual. OCIS reflects that following Philadelphia files maintain data which would be helpful to the NYO: 1. PH 183B-1999 Serial 47; 2. 183B-1999 Serial 89; 3. 183B-1999 Serial 119; 4. 183B-1999 Serial 143; 5. 183B-1999 Serial 144; 6. 183B-1999 Serial 312; 7. 183B-1999 Serial 375; 8. PH 92-1027 Serial 2992.

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regarding Will disseminate to the NYO any and all data including the aforementioned Serials.

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Memorandum



To : ADIC, NEW YORK (183B-191359) (P)

Date

From : SA [redacted] (C-5)

Subject:

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Vincent Gigante, aka;
RICO (B)
(OO: NY)

Attached for the file is [redacted]

[redacted]
Also attached for the file is a copy of the order,
signed by U.S. District Court Judge LASTER, 1/24/92, [redacted]

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AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT

United States District Court		DISTRICT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
United States of America vs. THE PERSON OF ANDREW CUCURULLO 129 Getts Avenue Staten Island, New York		DOCKET NO.	MAGISTRATE'S CASE NO.
		NAME AND ADDRESS OF JUDGE ¹ OR FEDERAL MAGISTRATE HON. NINA GERSHON U.S. Magistrate Judge	
The undersigned being duly sworn deposes and says: That he/she has reason to believe that			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the person of <input type="checkbox"/> on the premises known as		DISTRICT Southern District of New York	
THE PERSON OF ANDREW CUCURULLO 129 Getts Avenue Staten Island, New York			
The following property is concealed:			
See attached affidavit			
Affiant alleges the following grounds for search and seizure ² :			
See attached affidavit			
<input type="checkbox"/> See attached affidavit which is incorporated as part of this affidavit for search warrant			
Affiant states the following facts establishing the foregoing grounds for issuance of a Search Warrant			
See attached affidavit			
SIGNATURE OF AFFIANT		OFFICIAL TITLE, IF ANY	
		Special Agent, FBI	
Sworn to before me, and subscribed in my presence:			
DATE January 24, 1992		JUDGE ¹ OR FEDERAL MAGISTRATE Hon. Nina Gershon U.S. Magistrate Judge	

¹United States Judge or Judge of a State Court of Record.

²If a search is to be authorized "at any time in the day or night" pursuant to Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure 41(c), show reasonable cause therefor

Memorandum



To : ADIC, NEW YORK (183B-NY-191359) (P) Date 2/25/92
(ATTN: ASAC [redacted])

From : SA [redacted] (C-5)

Subject: [redacted]
VINCENT GIGANTE, aka;
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The aforementioned case targets Genovese LCN hierarchy, principally VINCENT "Chin" GIGANTE, boss. Squad C-5 has just recently gone down on a Title III (T-III) [redacted]

[redacted] Emphasis has recently been altered to 505 LaGuardia Place, apartment 7E. This is the residence of VINCENT "Chin" GIGANTE. He resides in apartment 7E with his mother, YOLANDA. [redacted]

[redacted] For the past thirty days, C-5 has been operating [redacted] in the seventh floor hallway, allowing us to chart the amount of activity of those coming and going from GIGANTE's apartment, including those activities of GIGANTE himself. Writer subpoenaed phone records for three month periods, summer, 1991, however impossible to tell whether GIGANTE himself, his mother, or other family members using phone. With [redacted] it is possible to know who in fact is inside apartment 7E at any given moment. Installation of pen register should afford C-5 personnel the ability to obtain a good idea as to whom is using phone, at any given point in time during a day.

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For investigative purposes, pen register data should be monitored in the New York Office as is the norm. It is also requested that a display be set up in off-site apartment 3C, 75 Bleecker Street, thus allowing C-5 personnel ability to perform necessary surveillances, operating out of a location very close to target residence.

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Memorandum



To : SAC, DIVISION II (183B-NY-191359) (P) Date 3/4/92

From : SA [redacted] (C-5)

Subject: [redacted]
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The purpose of this memo is to attempt to correlate all data garnered from the [redacted] 7th floor, 505 LaGuardia Place, NY, NY. The camera was installed at this location because of knowledge obtained by C-5 via usage of a Title III [redacted] and surveillances on the street that certain individuals would emanate from, and return to, 505 LaGuardia Place, Apartment 7E, residence of VINCENT "Chin" GIGANTE, boss, GENOVESE LCN. Those individuals were observed conversing with known members of the GENOVESE LCN hierarchy, both inside the club and at various locations, including the street. The purpose of the camera installation was to determine who was visiting GIGANTE, the hours of peek activity, and also the time frames when GIGANTE himself was, in fact, departing Apartment 7E.

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Authority [redacted] was originally received via the Department of Justice on 12/9/91. with [redacted]

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[redacted] An affidavit was written for the SDNY, and an order was signed on 1/24/92, with commencement of monitoring on same date.

From 1/24/92 through present date, the following has been determined re Apartment 7E and Chin GIGANTE's position as boss, GENOVESE LCN:

1) VINCENT "Chin" GIGANTE, since his virtual self-imposed exile in Apartment 7E, 1991 as a result of his arrest in the "WINDOWS" case, lives as a semi-recluse. At most, he will depart his residence twice a day. If he departs early afternoon, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., he will be driven by one of three individuals, those being [redacted] SAL GIGANTE, his son via his first marriage, [redacted] via his first marriage. In general, GIGANTE will be gone for approximately two

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hours. Surveillance on 3/3/92 determined him to have gone to 760 77th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, medical offices of one of his known doctors, [redacted] At times, GIGANTE will go out later in the afternoon, i.e. 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., again for approximately two to two and one-half hours, returning around dinnertime. Should this be the case, it is more than likely that he will not go out in the evening, 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Surveillances on GIGANTE and associates from the area of 505 LaGuardia Place have only commenced during the week of 3/2-6/92, and it has not yet been determined where he goes in the evening, although it is highly suspected he is driven uptown [redacted]

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GIGANTE is driven back to 505 LaGuardia Place, Apartment 7E, each evening after 12:00 a.m. [redacted] When [redacted] [redacted] departs from Apartment 7E anywhere from 12:30 a.m. - 1:00 a.m., he always locks the door from the outside. No one comes to this apartment until [redacted] shows up the next morning, usually 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. The day commences on average with [redacted] taking YOLANDA GIGANTE (mother) shopping and/or to church.

2) The first 30-40 days of [redacted] monitoring have shown that there is an abnormal amount of activity at Apartment 7E. Monitoring has also determined that activities in and around Apartment 7E are truly a "family affair." In general, GIGANTE only communicates with members of his immediate family, as well as [redacted] Squad C-5 always felt very strongly that messages were emanated from Apartment 7E and communicated to the appropriate GENOVESE LCN members via phone, written message, or oral communication. This has been borne out, basically. Specifically, on 2/27/92, Detective [redacted] observed [redacted] exit 505 LaGuardia Place. [redacted] made a phone call from his mobile phone while his vehicle was parked outside the apartment entrance. He and [redacted] then proceeded to a small Oriental restaurant, just north of the PORTO BELLO RESTAURANT on Thompson Street, between Bleeker and West 3rd. Both [redacted] proceeded to the small back room area where, within 10 minutes, they were joined by DOMINICK CIRILLO. CIRILLO, the acting street boss in the area, joined both in the rear room meeting with them for approximately 15 minutes. [redacted] returned directly to 505 LaGuardia Place, Apartment 7E. VINCENT GIGANTE was in the apartment during this time period.

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3) Detectives [redacted] along with SAs [redacted] have also come to determine that Apartment 7E is used as a drop off/pick up location not just for messages, but for documents, papers, money, records, etc. [redacted] monitoring had depicted too many occasions wherein a person will enter with a white, plastic bag departing later with nothing. At

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times, a family member will enter with nothing and exit with a bag. On various occasions, someone will enter with a bag/box with someone else exiting later with that bag or box. It has also been noted that an unknown white male (Unsub) in his 30's has entered Apartment 7E on three or four occasions; however, he has never been observed exiting the building. It is felt that this Unsub lives inside 505 LaGuardia Place. The Unsub has been seen bringing bags/boxes inside Apartment 7E and departing later carrying nothing but his attache case. On occasions, [redacted] [redacted] have exited Apartment 7E carrying an item that the Unsub had brought in.

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Squad C-5 has always gone under the assumption that GIGANTE is the boss of the GENOVESE LCN and [redacted] monitoring has seemed to bear this out. With that in mind, the following investigative techniques, some of them unconventional at best, will attempt to be utilized in the future:

1) Lieutenant [redacted]

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[redacted] It has been noted by the monitors that [redacted] makes too many trips out of the apartment with trash bags, specifically after someone, i.e. [redacted] etc., arrived with a white, plastic bag. Attempts will then be made to obtain bags of trash from the basement should the opportunity present itself.

2) Detective [redacted] has made contact with an elevator repair person for various buildings in the area of 505 LaGuardia Place. [redacted]

3) A pen register is to be established, with a display set up in the offsite apartment. [redacted]

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4) Subpoenas to be sent out in hopes of determining subscribers to various non-published phone numbers obtained via toll records June - September, 1991.

5) Surveillances commenced week of 3/2-6/92 in hopes of showing where various GIGANTE family members proceed when exiting Apartment 7E. It is also hoped that these surveillances will show where the white bags, etc. emanating from Apartment 7E

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wind up and where various items brought into Apartment 7E come from.

6) Attempts are also being made to determine which floor of 505 LaGuardia houses a "rec" room originally described to C-5 personnel late in 1991 when plans were being made for the [redacted] The feeling is that various GIGANTE family members exit Apartment 7E and go to use a possible telephone or make a meet in the "rec" room because the duration from departure to re-entrance into the apartment only encompasses a few minutes, not allowing enough time to make it down to the garage or front parking area. Attempts are also being made to determine if GIGANTE has, in fact, a second apartment in the building should the "rec" room idea not pan out.

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Finally, it should be noted that approximately three or four days after the [redacted] commenced, the screen was noted to be blank. C-5 personnel presumed technical problems; however, this did not prove to be the case. The picture came back on 1/29/92, early in the afternoon; however, at approximately 2:00 p.m., monitoring noted a hand appearing over the camera and the screen going blank once again. Observation on Thursday, 1/30/92, by Supervisor [redacted] noted that duct tape had been placed solidly over the small box holding the camera. The assumption was that GIGANTE had become paranoid, perhaps in relation to his supposed "psychiatric" problems. On Friday, 1/31/92, at approximately 6:30 p.m., monitors noted that the tape had either fallen off or was purposely removed. No further problems have occurred, nor has there been any overt notice taken of the small adjunct by GIGANTE, his associates, or other residents of the 7th floor.

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